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FOLLOWING REPEAT SAN JOSE 2090 ACTION SECSTATE MAY 22

QUOTE

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TAGS: PBOR, PGOV, OASGN CS
SUBJECT: GOCR CONCERN ABOUT EXTREMIST REACTION
TO SAN JOSE CONFERENCE ON RIO TREATY

1. PRESIDENT ODUBER HAS INFORMED AMBASSADOR THAT HE SENT INSTRUCTIONS TO COSTA RICAN CONSULATES IN U.S. THAT VISAS ARE NOT TO BE ISSUED TO AGITATORS WHO MIGHT WISH TO VISIT SAN JOSE DURING THE SPECIAL OAS CONFERENCE TO REVISE THE RIO TREATY IN JULY. THE PRESIDENT ADDED THAT HE COUNTS ON THE USG TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE PROTECTION TO GOCR OFFICERS AND PERSONNEL IN THE U.S. DURING THAT SENSITIVE PERIOD WHEN MANIFESTATIONS OR OTHER PROTESTS AGAINST COSTA RICA AS THE HOST OF THE CONFERENCE MIGHT BE STAGED BECAUSE OF THE CUBA ISSUE.
 2. DURING HIS PRESS CONFERENCE ON MAY 20, ODUBER EXPRESSED HIS
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GRATIFICATION THAT COSTA RICA HAS BEEN CHOSEN TO HOST THIS MEETING, BUT STATED HIS DETERMINATION THAT IT NOT "SERVE FOR

EXTREMISTS OF THE RIGHT OR THE LEFT TO PROVOKE DISTURBANCES WHICH OBSTRUCT OR INTERFERE WITH THE DEBATE." THE PRESIDENT PROMISED STRICT CONTROL OVER FOREIGN VISITORS OR RESIDENTS WHO MIGHT TRY TO PRESSURE DELEGATES.

3. COMMENT: THE GOCR WILL HAVE GREAT DIFFICULTY CONTROLLING THE ENTRY OF VISITORS WITH TOURIST CARDS WHICH CAN BE PURCHASED FROM PAN AMERICAN AND LACSA AS WELL AS CONSULAR OFFICES. IMMIGRATION CONTROLS AT THE AIRPORT ARE NOT VERY EFFECTIVE, EITHER.

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